Important Fishing Settlements Of the Coast of Newfoundland Which Are a Thorn in the Flesh to England.

Only 11 miles from the southern coast of Newfoundland there lie two islands-St. Pierre and Miquelon-which belong to the French, but which might have been in the possession of the British government but for the short-sightedness of her statesmen of a century ago. Attention is directed to these two little Islands at this time by the growing sentiment there in favor of annexation to the United States. The islands have just elected a member to the French chamber of deputies, and it is understood that he is in hearty sympathy with the popular feeling.

Four times St. Pierre and Miquelon have been in the possession of England. In 1713 they were ceded to her with Newfoundland, but on the English conquest of Canada they were assigned to France as a fishery depot and as a sort of sop to soothe her wounded feelings at the great losses in Canada. The islands were taken again by the English during the



THE WHARF AT ST. PIERRE.

troubles of 1778, but again restored to France in 1783. In 1793 England swept the islands clean of the French, but for a third time, in 1802, France was given possession of them. The following year they again fell into the hands of England, but since 1816 they have been in the undisputed possession of the French.

Miquelon has an area of 45,542 acres, but is of little importance. The island of St. Pierre has an area of 6,420 acres. and at its southern extremity is the city of St. Pierre. This is the only important city on the islands and has a population | er he is an odds-on favorite or the longof over 5,000. During the cod fishing season this is increased by fully 10,000 fishermen, which come over from France. According to the terms of the treaty of Utrecht the French were not to fortify them in any way, but it is claimed that this agreement has been violated to some extent. Certain it is that France sends over each year thousands of boys which are being trained for her navy. They are called beach boys and help the old men repairing tackle and netting the capelin, a small fish good for bait, while the fishermen are away at the Banks. These beach boys are an interesting feature of St. Pierre. They are of an average age of 18, and are sent out from France under contract to act as helpers to the fisherman. The government pays them \$30 for the season and furnishes transportation, food, clothing player with the and shelter. In return they are required, after two or three years of apprenticeship, to enter the French navy. This makes of the islands a sort of training makes of the islands a sort of training ground for the French navy right under physical qualifications the nose of the English.

St. Pierre is a quaint town with its low buildings of French architecture. There are no street cars, no sidewalks, few horses, no hotels, as we understand them, no daily newspaper, no nothing that would suggest a city in America, save the electric lights. Think of it. In this odd little fishing town finding the low, old-fashioned houses lit with electricity. The streets are long, narrow and hilly, and on them one sees the little rough carts drawn by dogs, driven by



A STREET SCENE IN ST. PIERRE

natives in Basque caps, blouses and sabots. There are also heavy ox teams with picturesque villagers prodding them as they move slowly forward. About April every year the French

fleet of fishing vessels arrives at St. Pierre and then the busy season of the city begins. In September the boats again assemble in the port preparatory to the return to France. The possession of these two Islands is a source of continual irritation of the British and complicates the fishing controversy which grows more bitter each year. In addition to these two islands as a base of supplies. the French hold, by right of treaty, the privilege to land at any point on the Newfoundland coast between Cape Bonsvista and Cape Riche for the purpose of drying their fish.

The suggestion of the annexation of the islands to the United States is exceedingly interesting, but it is very doubtful whether the latter country would entertain such a proposition. However, Uncle Sam might start with the French islands in the northern sweep of annexation and later take in Newfoundland and Canada herself. Who can say? Stranger things than that have

Wisdom of Experience. "What is the best thing one can take for a cold?" asked the Mt. Auburn man. "Don't know," answered the Norwood philosopher. "But probably the worst thing a man can take is the advice of

his friends."-Cincinnati Enquirer. The Helping Hand. "And what did Miss Specie do when she heard the count's tale of wee?" "She gave him a helping hand."-

THE FRENCH ISLANDS SPORTS AND ATHLETICS

"The three chief requisites of a successful starter are quickness to see, quickness to think and quick-

In front of him, but he must reason from

ness to act," says Jake Holtman, recognized among race followers from coast to coast as the thoroughbreds in to combine these

greatest starter of America. "I doubt if there is any other position in which a man is required three qualities so surely as in starting a field of racehorses. He must not only see all that is going on among the horses and jockeys

what he sees as to what will ensue a moment later should he snap the barrier. Then he must act instantly when, according, to his vision and his estimate of the situation, the right time has come to let them go; otherwise the conditions making it the favorable moment will have been a favorable opportunity. Once in awhile a starter will guess wrong as to what a certain horse is about to do. He will have the other horses' actions sized up all right, but one horse will wheel or do something that cannot be anticipated. Experience is one of the great factors of successful starting. A man learns what is likely to happen again by what he has seen take place. Then many horses have peculiarities which a starter learns, which is why the starting is often poorer the first few days of a meeting than it is later on. The jockeys, however, are the main factors in flag wielding. If a starter can obtain obedience from the boys the rest of his work is made easy by comparison. Patience also enters largely into the question, as a starter without that quality soon looses the respect of the boys riding at a meeting, and unless they respect him, he will not get good results. There must be also firmness in seeing that his orders are carried out, but firmness should not be mistaken for tyranny. Much depends also on the starter's assistants, a most important adjunct of success. With a good assistant to help him, a starter can be made; on the other hand, with a bad one, he is liable to be unmade. The starter should show no favors; all horses should look alike to him, whether a horse is of stake quality or a common skate, whether he belongs to a millionaire or a poor owner, whethest shot in the race, whether he belongs to a friend or a stranger. He should only appear as a mere racing machine, and

When asked to tell of the attributes that go to make up the star ball players.

Ned Hanlon, one of the best judges of players in the country to-day, said recently: "Actual. natural, physical ability to play ball is one thing, and confidence in one's own powers is another, and is just swelled head may

Ned Hanlon

to know personally, but if he has the ball player, while some good-souled but | house. diffident chap, who is just as strong and speedy, is going back, till \$75 a month just fits his pay. The player who firmly believes in his own heart that he can hit that ball, and who regards any catch made off his bat as an accident and an ing. astounding occurrence, is going to swat somewhat around .300 all the time, while the half-apologetic player, who feels that there are lots of better batters on the team, is going to depart to the minor league with a percentage of .142. Some men are stars in the minors, and no good at all in the bigger organizations. In most cases these men fail because they feel embarrassed and awe-struck in the presence of the mighty veterans around them. Other men actually hit harder in the fast company than among the lesser lights. These men are invariably so self-confident that a National league pitcher, to them, seems only a mark set up for them to win renown by."

Six new swimming records have been made during the past year by Charles Ruberl, of New York, most of which were secured by lowering the records of E. C. Schaeffer, the former University of Pennsylvania star, and the world's champion. He holds the present records for 150, 200, 1,100, 1,350, 1,540 yards and one mile. David Gaul, of Philadelphia. made the most remarkable showing next to Ruberl, having won nearly every contest in which he was a competitor. His 50 yards in 31 seconds is his chief performance. David Billington led the record breakers in England, and Harry LeMoyne, of Harvard performed some

sensational "stunts." Tom Jenkins, of Cleveland, and Dan McLeod, of Hamilton, have signed articles to meet in private in the presence of not more than 100 spectators to settle finally which of them is the better wrestler. The contest will not take place before March 1 and no location has yet been selected.

Elmer E. Shaner, manager and secretary of the Indiana Interstate association, has closed arrangements for the Great American handicap shoot, which will be held at Indianapolis the week of June 30. Clay birds will be used entirely. Edward Callier, of Moline, Ill., walked 40 hours 35 minutes to beat the record for

continuous walking. Looked Like It. The army officer looked with displeas ure at the soiled sheet of paper that had

"That's a measly looking document," he exclaimed.
"Yes, sir," said the subordinate. touching his hat. "It's the sick list." -Chicago Tribune.

been handed him.

His Sense of Humor. "Biffson thinks that he has a very

alert sense of humor." "He must have," said the acidulous person, "to perceive any wit in some of the stories he tells."-Washington Star. Farmers' Review.

FACTS ABOUT GAPES

Few Rules the Adoption of Which Will Prevent the Appearance of the Disease

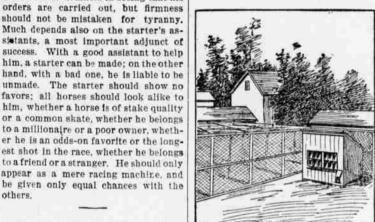
To prevent gapes is better than any attempts to give relief after the chicks are affected, and although it is now somewhat late in the season to consider gapes, yet a few rules to observe when chicks are to be hatched may not be out of place. The following should be kept for future reference: Scatter airslaked lime freely over the ground occupled by the chicks. Put a little of the lime in the drinking water. Should signs of the gapes appear, feed the chicks twice a week with stiff corn-meal dough, first intimately mixing a teaspoonful of spirits of turpentine with a quart of the meal. Give a very sick chick a drop of turpentine on a breadcrumb. If this fails, then strip a small feather, leaving a small tuft on the end, insert the end of the feather in the windpipe, give it a twist and then quickly withdraw it. Feed on clean boards. Never allow residuum food to remain on the ground. Keep the ground free from filth. The rich, moist places, such as are favorable to earthworms, are favorable to gapes. Do not mistake lice for gapes, as the large gray lice on the skin of the heads and necks will often cause the chicks to gasp from weakness. It is not an easy matter to insert a

feather down the throats of a large number of chicks; hence, the best wholesale method is to give turpentine in cornmeal, and to use plenty of lime on the ground, as lime will purify the soil and render it unfit for gapeworms. -Farm and Fireside

COMFORT FOR PIGEONS.

Wire Cage or "Fly" Attached to Various Sections of House Affords Healthy Exercise.

Pigeons must be given exercise in the open air and sunlight. For this purpose wire cage or "fly" is built. We show such a fly in our illustration. On this subject a government bulletin says: The ground should be leveled. In the



PIGEON HOUSE AND FLY.

case of the fly in the illustration the distance from the outside wire to the house is 32 feet. The frame of the fly is made of hemlock posts 2x3 inches in size and 8 feet high above the ground. These posts should be set in three rows parallel with the side of the building. six posts in each row. The outer row supports the end of the fly 32 feet from the building. Hemlock boards 4 inches wide are nailed to the top and bottom around the sides and an additional 4-inch board is nailed between at such a height that a netting four feet wide will reach from it to the strips above and below. This gives a wire wall 8 feet high. The fly is divided into sections corresponding to the sections in the

POULTRY YARD NOTES.

The brooder and its proper management is more than half of artificial rear-Have regular hours for feeding, and

you will always find the fowls ready at the appointed time. If you want eggs to hatch and to sell from March to June, do not push your

hens now; feed a maintenance ration and let them rest for some weeks. The droppings of poultry fed on grain and meat at this season are too valuable to be wasted. Carefully store in barrels, mixing with dry earth and plas-

ter, and keep for the truck patch. Make a trip through your hennery with a lantern after the fowls have gone

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will often command enough to tempt the breeder to part with it. Here is where a great many breeders tear down their reputation while they are trying to build it up. Inferior breeding stock sold to somebody has lived to vex many a man who thought he was getting rid of his culls to advantage. It requires courage to send pure bred animals to slaughter, but it pays when they are not the kind to keep. The safe and eventually the profitable plan is to sell good animals and keep better ones and breed best ones.—Thomas McFarlane, in

WHERE PEACE REIGNS.

A curious custom prevails in certain parts of India which may be called a Money Is Not Needed and No Dissipasymbolic marriage. In families where there are several daughters, the young tion or Irregularity er sisters may marry only after the

A Curious Custon

elder sisters are married. That, of course, is not always the case, but the

obstacle can easily be surmounted if

the elder sister declares herself ready

to marry some tree or flower or some

other lifeless object. In this way the

disagreeable consequences of disre-

garding the time-honored customs may

be avoided, and the younger sister can

safely be wedded to her living choice.

The elder sister, however, must take

care not to wed a poplar tree, an elm

tree or a pine; if she chooses a plum,

apple or apricot tree she may get a di-

vorce—that is, shake it off as soon as

a real man will ask for her hand-while

if she marries one of the first three

Appealed to Him Partially.

The vague man stood on the side of

the Atlantic steamer and gazed ad-

miringly at the rich sunset. The boat

was tossing heavily on the bosom of the

deep, as is the habit of boats when the

sea is rough, indelicate though such a

course may be. As the sun finally sank

sick transit!" The sailor's ery of

"Heave ho!" at this juncture did not

conduce to his relief .- N. Y. Journal.

The Phonograph for the Deaf.

the sound variations, it is thought that,

by their aid, a person totally deaf could

appreciate the rhythm and character

of a succession of sounds thus trans-formed into a series of sensations of a

different kind .-- Youth's Companion.

Effects of Bad Ventilation.

A curious defect has been discovered

in Buda-Pesth's underground railway.

There are not enough ventilating aper-

tures in the tunnel, and the trains rush-

ing through it compress the air in it like

that in the tube of a Zalinski pneumatic

run. On some occasions cars have been

lifted from the track and the passengers

have been almost suffocated. One

stretch of tunnel two miles long has

only a single ventilating aperture, mak-

ing it almost an airtight compartment,

Any constructing engineer ought to

have known what would be the result

of such pneumatic conditions .- N. Y.

Queer Astronomical Facts.

odd comparisons. One of the most curi-

ous of these is one in which the relative

size of the sun and some of the planets

is shown. They tell us that if the sun

could be represented by a globe two

feet in diameter the earth would be rep-

mustard seed.-Chicago Chronicle.

Most of It Inside.

much inside and too little out."-Chi-

They Did.

"I think," said the center rush, as

he looked up from the stretcher upon

THE MARKETS.

Pain's Master

Every nook and corner

of this and other coun-

tries has seen embla-

zoned the words

cago Post.

-N. Y. Journal

The speculative astronomers have

Sun.

Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

named trees she cannot easily shake place—"
"You have?" cried the soulful one. "Oh,
tell us, tell us, man of wonderful experience, where it is, that we may also go!"
"It's a place called prison!" said the her marital bonds, for these trees are sacred and must not be trifled with .-

Dr. Williamson Swears.

Pr. Williamson Swears.

Yorktown, Ark., Jan. 18th.—Last week a statement was published from Leland Williamson, M. D., of this place, to the effect that Dodd's Kidney Pills are the best medicine for all Kianey Diseases and that he uses them with uniform success in his daily practice.

No one who knows Dr. Williamson will doubt for a moment the complete truth of his fearless declaration, but to completely clinch the matter in the minds of those who may not have the pleasure of a personal acquaintance with this celebrated physician, Dr. Williamson has appeared before Mr. H. E. Greene, J. P. for Montgomery county, and made a sworn statement.

In this sworn statement the doctor has below the horizon the vague man murmured: "Sie transit gloria mundi!" Strictly classical, of course, but even vague men are sometimes educated. The Irishman in the steerage overheard the remark and groaned loudly. It was his first voyage. "I don't know nothin' at all at all av the glory o' Monday," he growled, "but there's no doubt av the

ment.

In this sworn statement the doctor has cited a number of cases which have been completely cured by Dodd's Kidney Pills. Here is case No. 1:

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and these variations, when conducted through the hands, which have been moistened for the purpose, are easily perceived. Since they correspond with the sound variations, it is the color of the purpose.

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resented, proportionately, by a pea. Mars by a pinhead and Mercury by s To Cure a Cold in One Day Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

She had asked him to bring home two quarts of champagne for a little dinner she intended to give the follow-ing pight. He had been challent ing night. He had been obedient to

Piso's Cure cannot be too highly spoken of as a cough cure.—J. W. O'Brien, 322 Third Ave., N., Minneapolis, Minn., Jan. 6, 1900. the extent of bringing home an extra quart, and still there was trouble. "I wanted it brought in bottles," she said. It is always easy to forgive other people's enemies.—Chicago Tribune. with infinite scorn, as he put down one little pint bottle, "You have too

Putnam Fadeless Dyes color more goods, brighter colors, with less work than others.

A bad memory is the liar's nightmare.— Chicago Daily News.

which his mangled limbs were ex-tended, "I think-" They bent with pitying glances to catch his last words: "I think that in Walnut street, Urthat last scrimmage they got on to me." bana, Ill., says: "In the fall of 1899

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Hernden, Va.

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